

## **MyClass**

Web portal and app

# User guide







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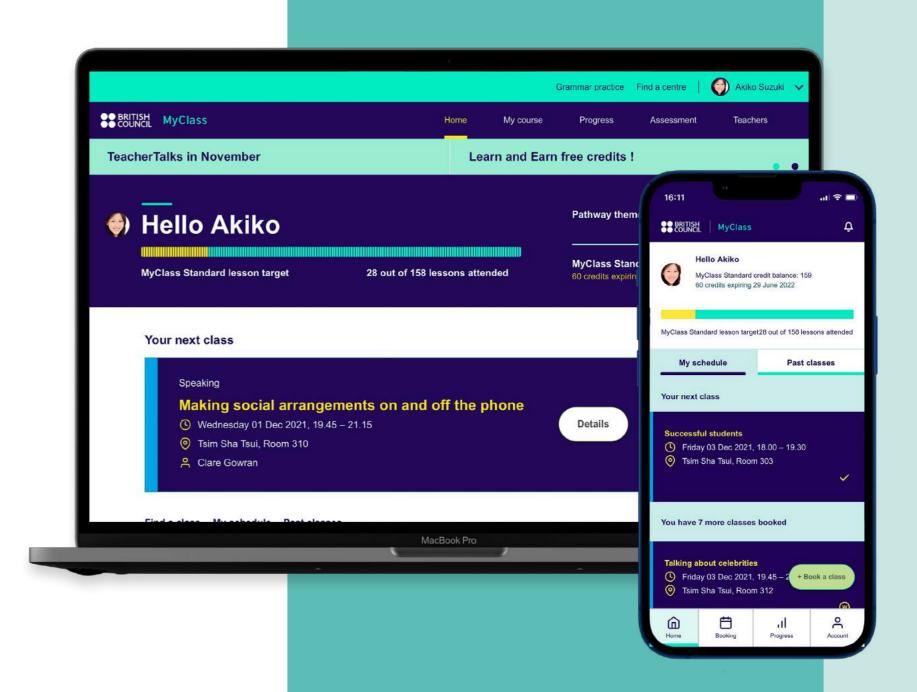
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### Introduction

The MyClass web portal and app put you in control of your learning journey. Use them to manage your bookings, practise your English in your own time and track your progress. Everything in one place.

In this guide, you'll find out about booking classes, cancelling a booking, tracking your progress, online activities and more.



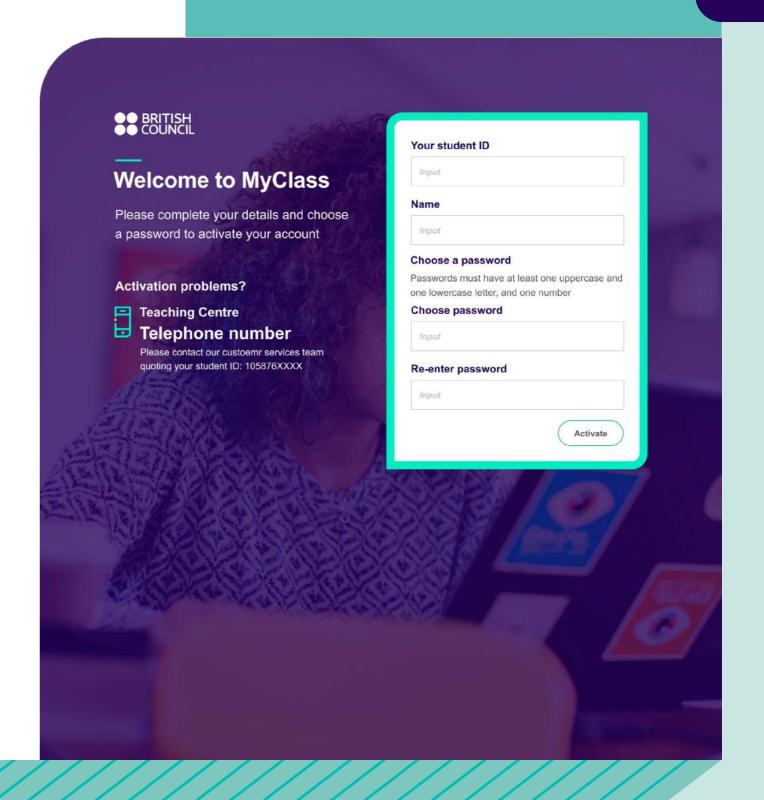
## Activate your account

#### To start

Once you have registered for MyClass, you will receive a welcome email inviting you to activate your account on the web portal.

#### **Access**

Set a password to activate your account.



### Confirmation

#### **Visit**

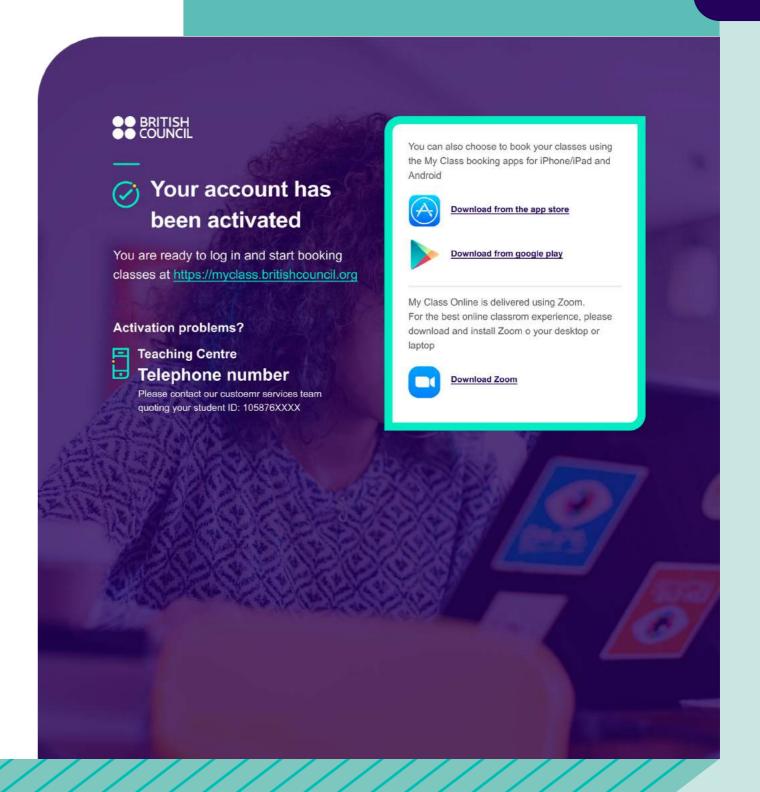
https://myclass.britishcouncil.org to book your classes.

or

Download the app for iPhone/iPad or Android

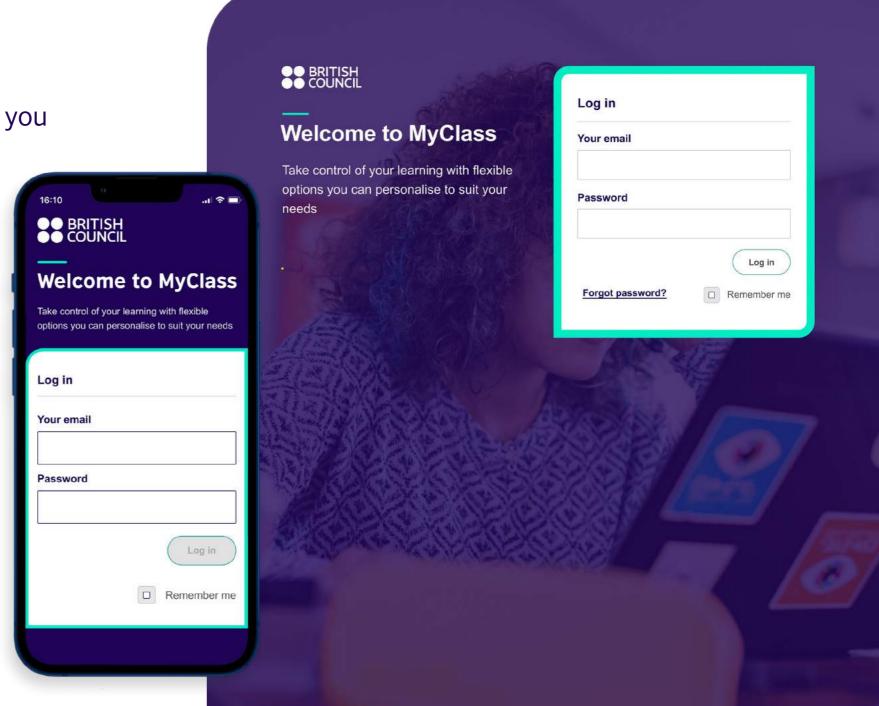
#### **Account activated**

You will see a message that your account has been activated.



# Log in

Log in using your email and the password you set in the previous step.



## App at a glance

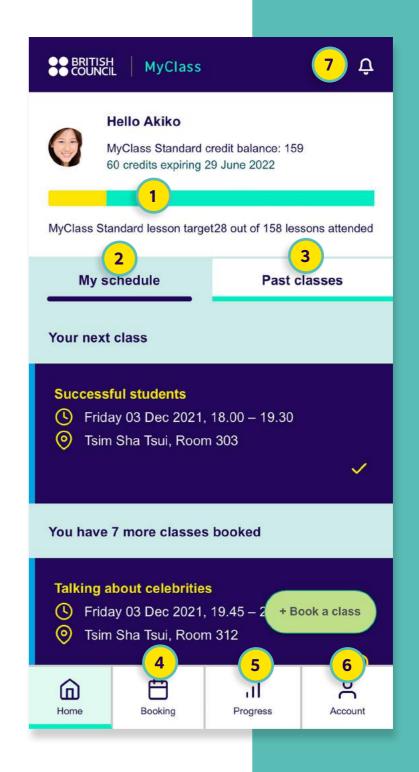
Manage your learning anytime, anywhere with the MyClass app.

Check your class schedule, view your booked lessons, access online activities and much more.

- See your progress against your lesson target on your personal dashboard
- View your booked classes and lesson details
- Review your past classes and practise what you've learned with self-study activities
- Search for and book classes
- Monitor your progress, view your assessment details and access feedback from your teacher
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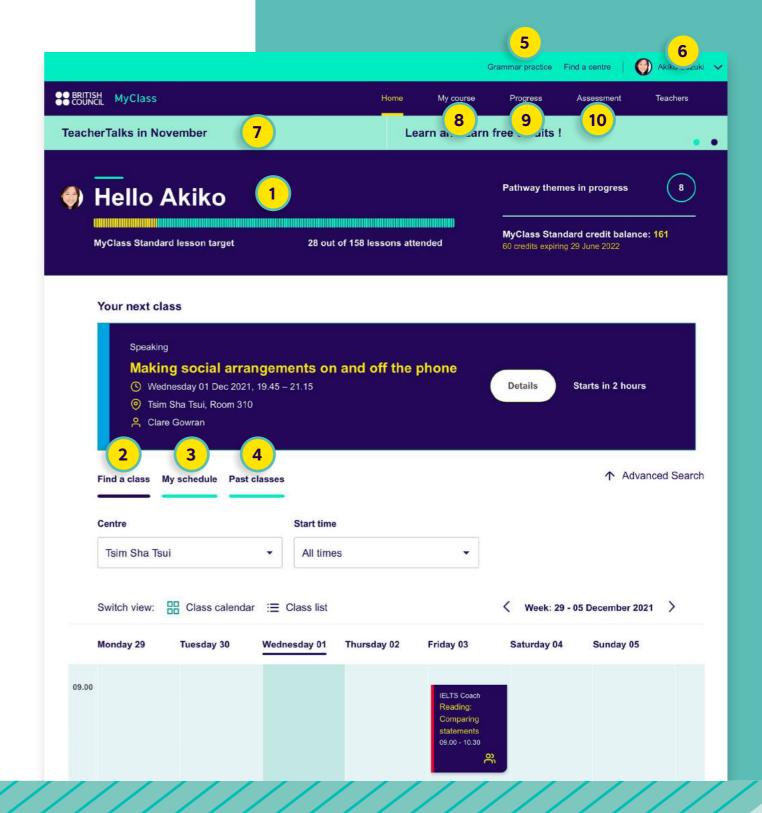


## Web portal at a glance

- View a summary of your progress on your personal dashboard
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- Access additional online grammar practice
- Manage your account and preferences
- See the latest MyClass news and offers
- My course: View the full course curriculum including the Social English and Workplace English Pathways and Themes
- Progress: Track your progress in detail
- Assessment: View assessment details and teacher feedback

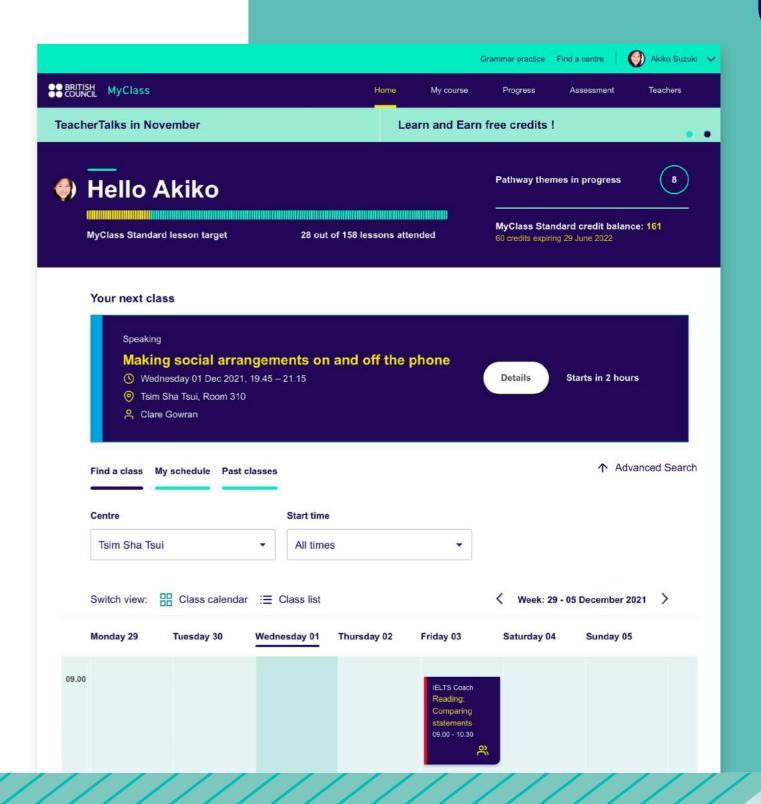
Access the web portal on your computer

https://myclass.britishcouncil.org/



## **Getting started**

When you log in to the web portal you'll see the following useful features:

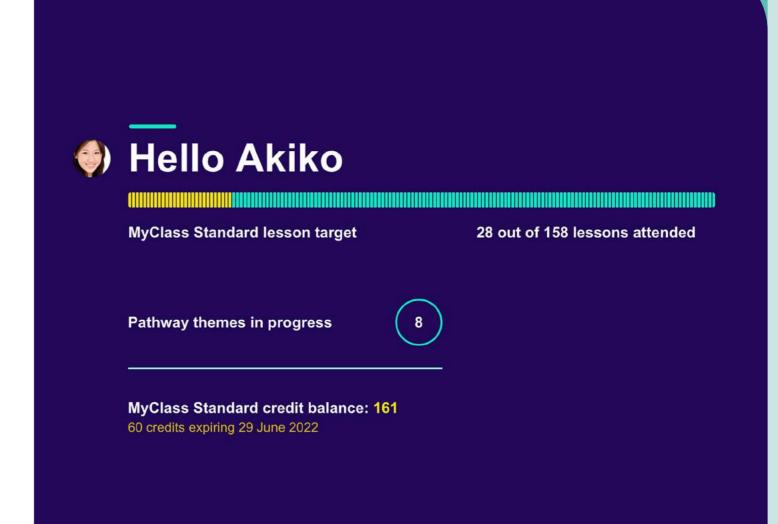


#### Personal dashboard

The personal dashboard on the home page gives you a view of your progress through the course. See your lesson count, pathway progress and credit balance at a glance to help you stay on track with your learning goals.

You'll find more details about your progress on the Progress tab, and more details about your credit balance under your account.

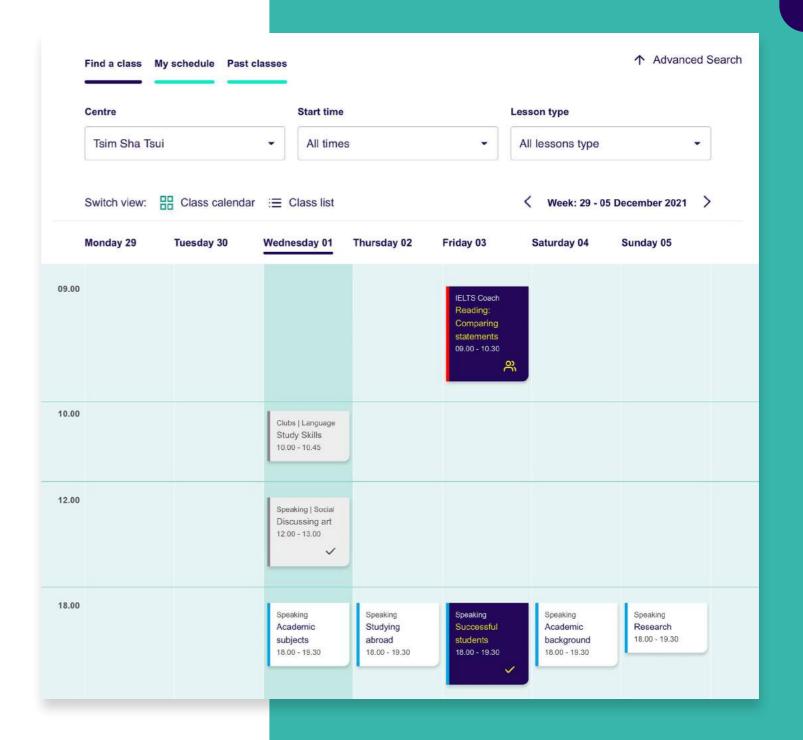
**Personal dashboard** 



## Find a class

Search and book classes. Filter by centre, date, time, teacher and lesson type to help you book classes that suit your needs.

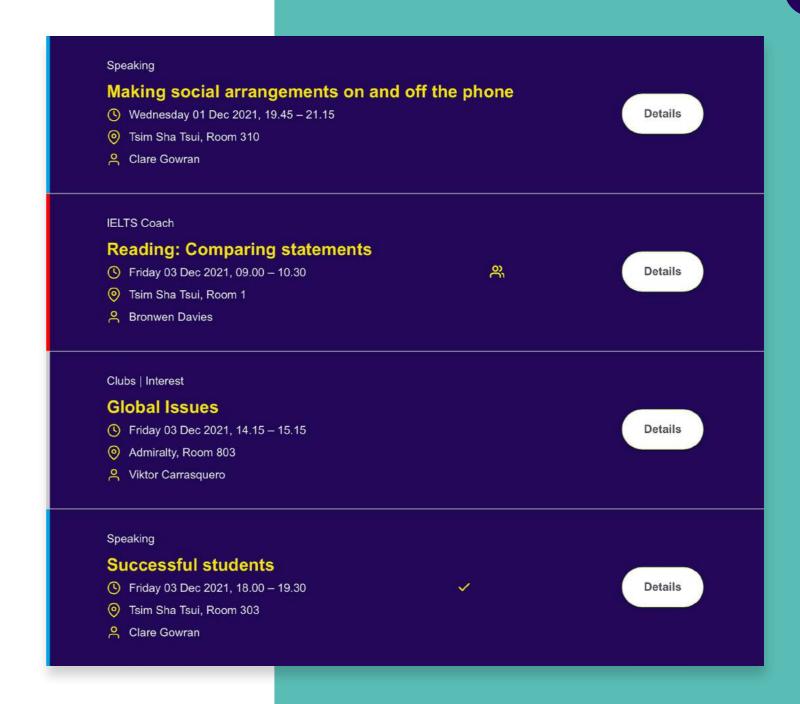
Find a class



## My schedule

See a full list of your booked classes.

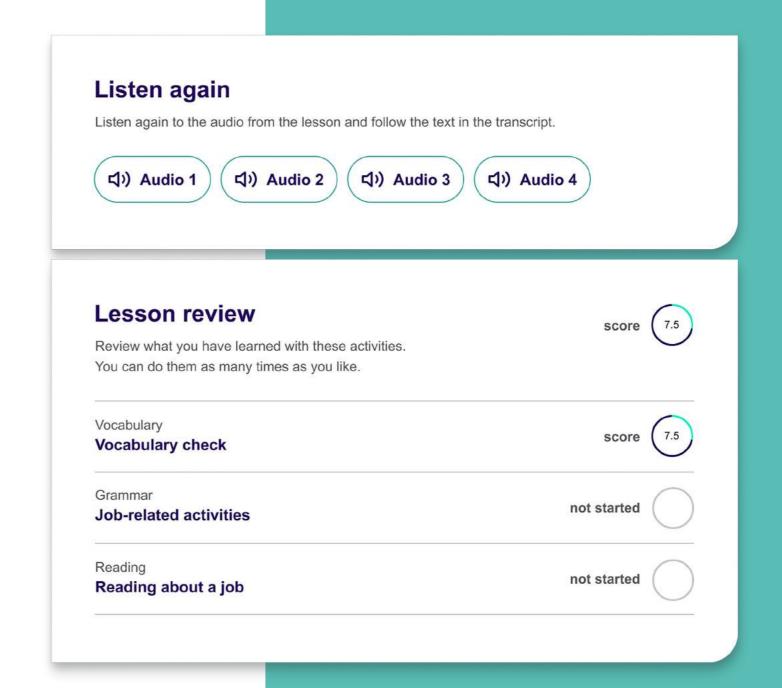
My schedule



#### **Past classes**

View the classes that you've done and review, revise and consolidate what you've learned by completing the online self-study activities. You can also listen again to audio files from the lessons.

**Past classes** 



## My course 1

In the My course area you'll find the full course curriculum.

See details of all the lessons available to you. You can also view the broad range of activities on offer such as clubs, study support, private lessons and more.

BRITISH MyClass Teachers Elementary Pre-intermediate Intermediate Upper Intermediate Advanced **Pathways Dealing with challenges** Social · Dealing with challenges Solving problems can be challenging if you don't know how to express yourself Better living correctly. You'll discuss problems in a variety of different situations. Learn how to Planning and going on communicate and respond to problems, and listen to and give advice. · Socialising and sharing Choose a lesson · Collaborating and reaching · Art, culture and the internet Centre Theme progress Health and fitness 1 out of 6 lessons attended Admiralty · Improving conversation skills > Work I'll never go there again Next Class Sunday 12 Dec 2021, 09.30 - 11.00 Flex lessons Admiralty A James Gilbert 5 places left Activities Custom page What is the alternative? ( This lesson is not available to book yet Problem solving 公 ( ) This lesson is not available to book yet Challenges in everyday situations (1) This lesson is not available to book yet **Dealing with complaints** 

My course

Teachers

## My course

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BRITISH MyClass

To help you target your studies to the areas you need, there are two pathways in MyClass – Workplace English & Social English – with lessons grouped into themes.

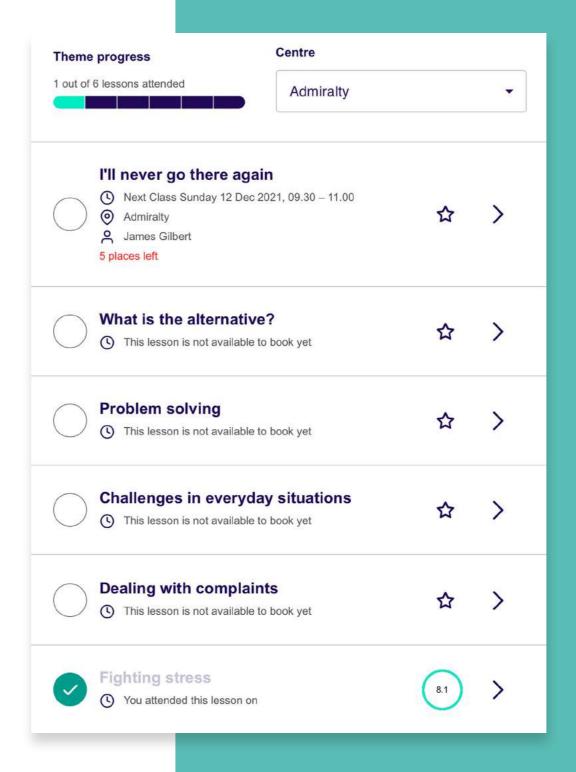
Workplace themes cover topics related to common activities and communication needs for the workplace; Social themes cover topics that commonly feature in social situations.

Elementary Pre-intermediate Intermediate Upper Intermediate Advanced Speaking **Pathways Dealing with challenges** Social · Dealing with challenges Solving problems can be challenging if you don't know how to express yourself Better living correctly. You'll discuss problems in a variety of different situations. Learn how to Planning and going on communicate and respond to problems, and listen to and give advice. Socialising and sharing Choose a lesson Collaborating and reaching · Art, culture and the internet Centre Theme progress Health and fitness 1 out of 6 lessons attended Admiralty Improving conversation skills > Work I'll never go there again Next Class Sunday 12 Dec 2021, 09.30 - 11.00 Flex lessons Admiralty S James Gilbert 5 places left Activities Custom page What is the alternative? (4) This lesson is not available to book yet Problem solving 公 ( ) This lesson is not available to book yet Challenges in everyday situations (1) This lesson is not available to book yet **Dealing with complaints** 

My course

# My course

View your progress in a particular theme and browse through lessons to decide what to do next. You can book a class or review, revise and consolidate what you've learned in your lessons by completing online self-study activities.

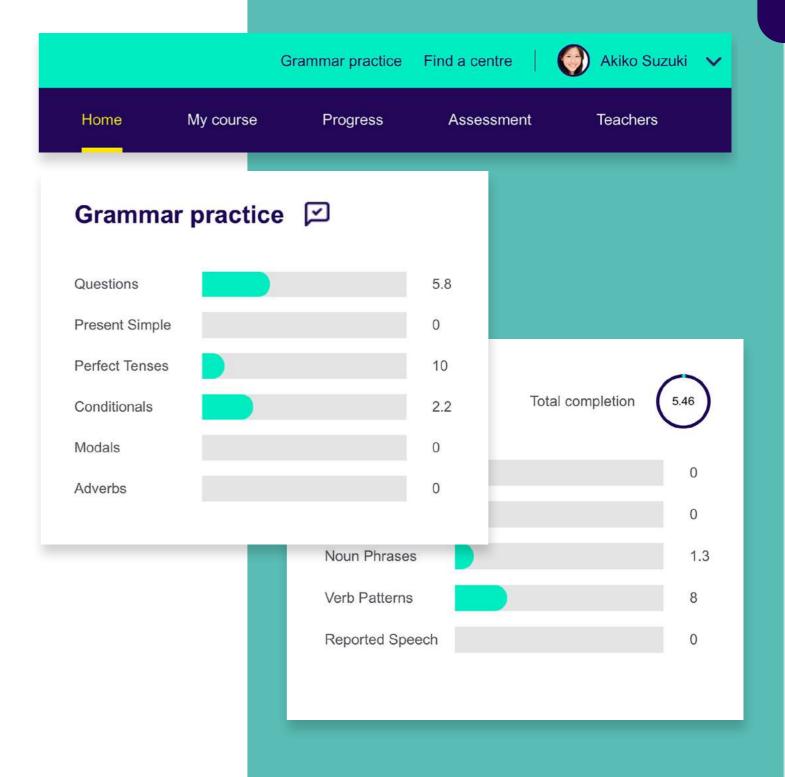


My course

## **Grammar practice**

Work on your grammar at any time with the online grammar practice activities. From tenses to modals, adverbs to noun phrases there's lots of opportunities for you to practise and improve.

Please note, you will need to log in again to access the online grammar practice, but all your scores will flow into the progress dashboard on the web portal and apps.



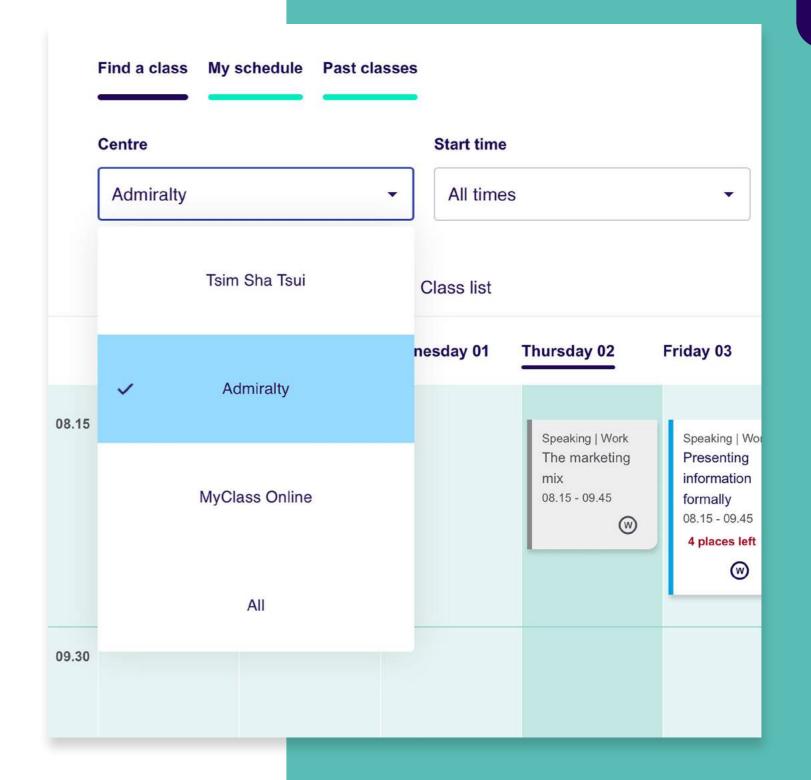
**Grammar practice** 

### How to book a class

# 1. Select the centre, dates and times you are looking for

Once you have chosen your filters you'll see all the lessons available according to your preferences.

You can go to 'Advanced search' to filter by teacher or lesson type too.



### How to book a class

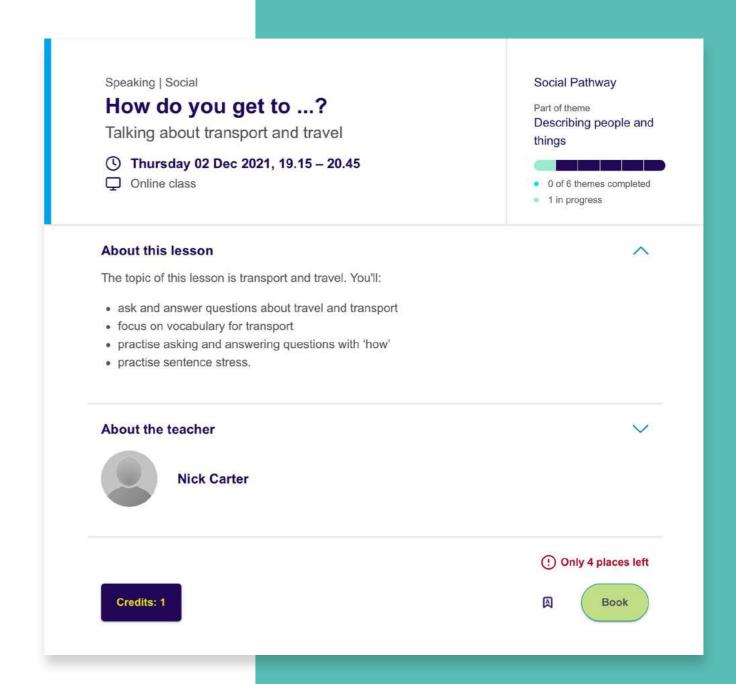
#### 2. View class details

Click on the class in the calendar to view more details.

#### 3. Book class

Read the class description.

If you want to book this class, click on 'Book'.

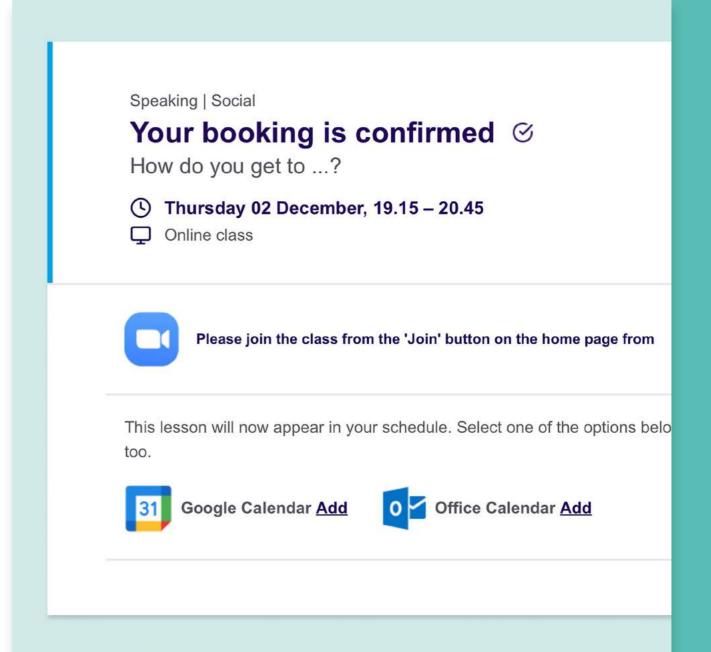


### How to book a class

#### 4. Booking confirmation

A tab will open to confirm your booking.

Close the tab to return to the home page.

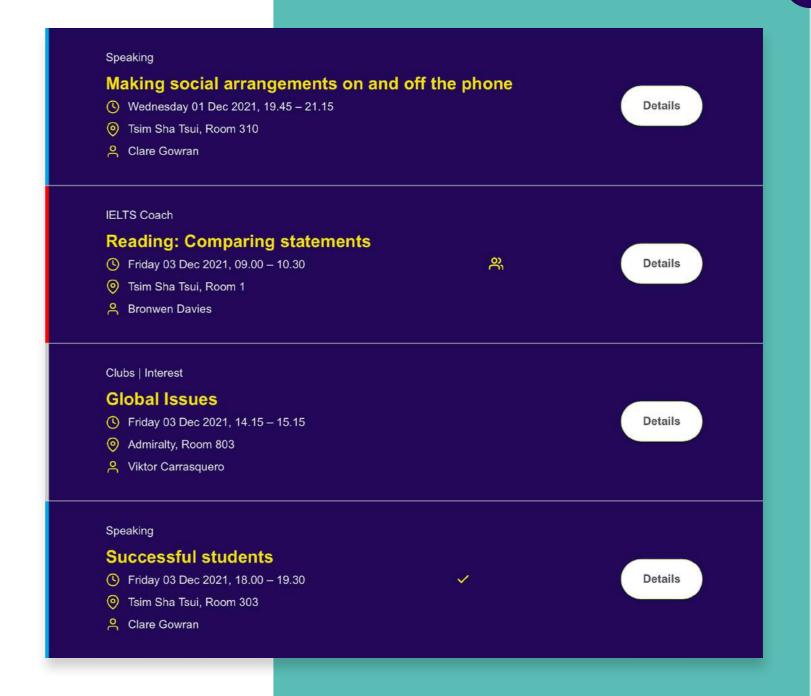


### How to cancel a class

#### 1. Open My schedule

Click on My schedule to view your class bookings

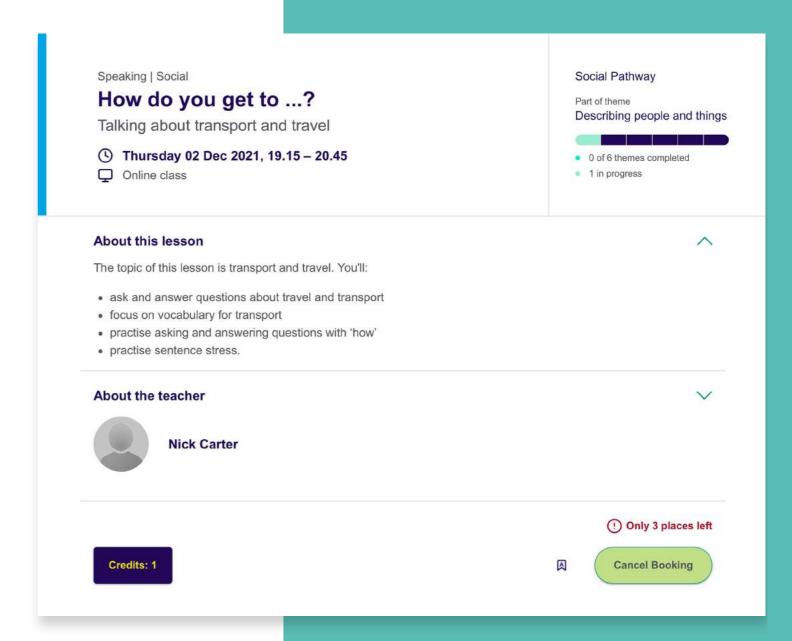
# 2. Select the class you want to cancel



### How to cancel a class

#### 3. Press cancel button

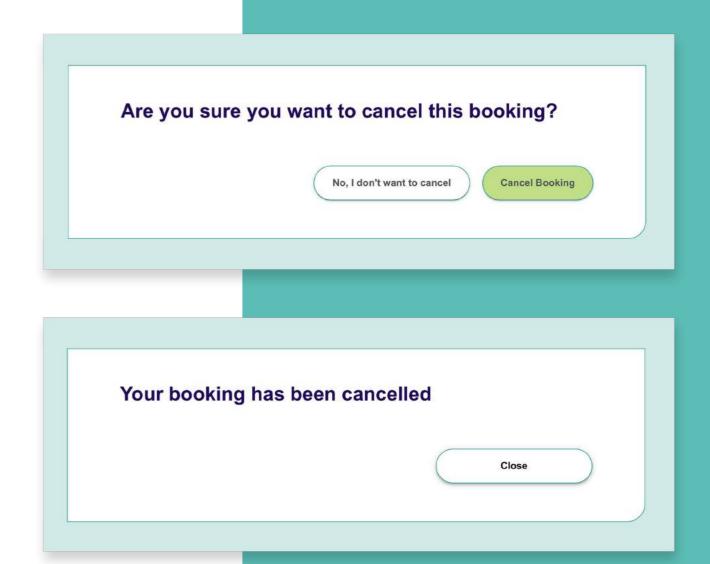
Click on the 'Cancel booking' button.



### How to cancel a class

#### 4. Confirmation

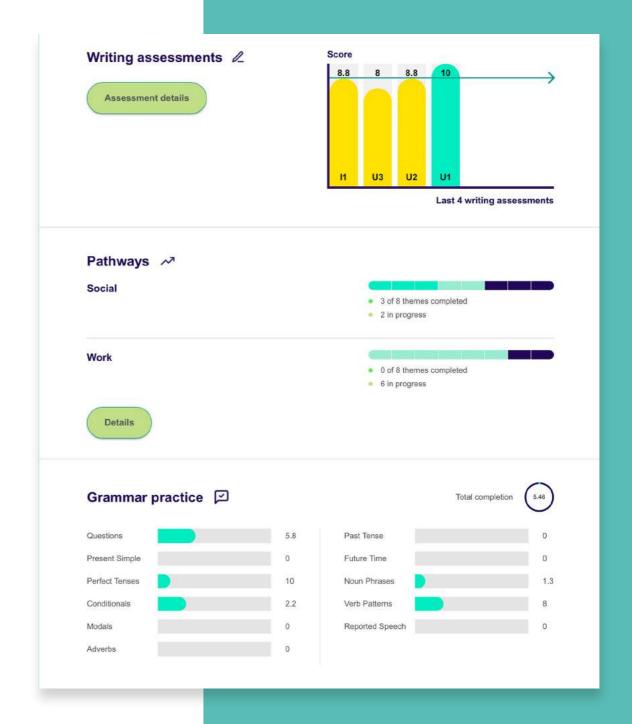
If your class is cancelled up to 24 hours in advance you will not lose your credit.



# Tracking your progress

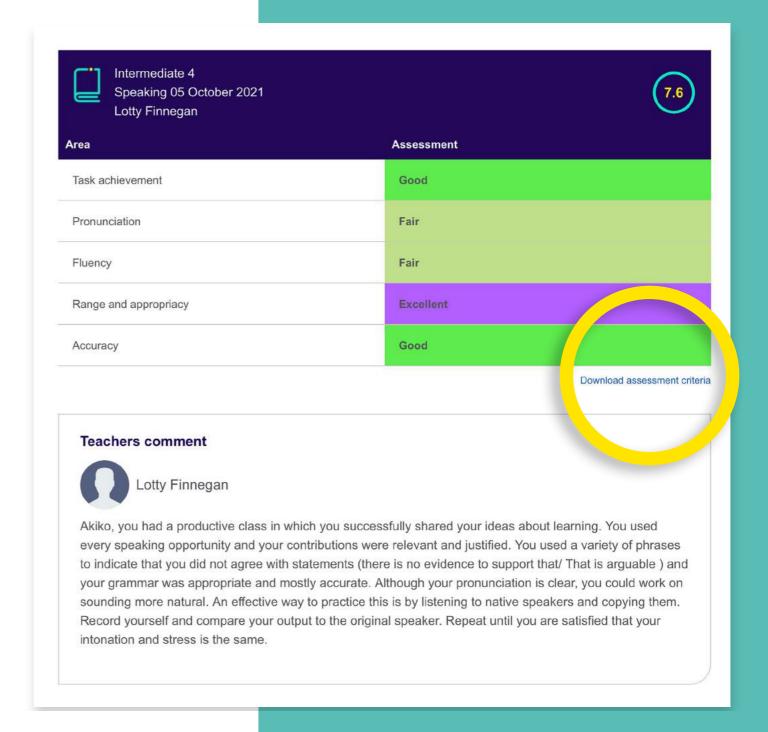
Click on the Progress tab for an at-a-glance view of your progress, including your lesson count, your detailed teacher assessments, your progress along a pathway, and where you are up to with your online grammar practice.

Select your latest assessment or pathway details to see more information on the progress you're making in specific areas.



# **Assessment** details

Your teacher will provide regular detailed assessments of your progress. To view these, click on the Assessment tab, which will take you to a detailed view of your assessment scores and teacher feedback. To understand the assessment criteria, download this document.



# Online classes and sessions

Sometimes MyClass classes or sessions need to be online. Online lessons are like any other MyClass lessons you attend at the British Council. You will practise your speaking and writing with your teacher and colleagues in real time and do lots of pair and group work.



## What you need

We use Zoom for our online classes and sessions. Zoom is web-conferencing software, which is free for you to use.

#### To join a class, you will need:



A webcam



Download Zoom onto your computer



A high-speed broadband internet connection



**Ear/headphones** 



A built-in or standalone microphone

## What you need to know



# Be on the register

As with all MyClass lessons, please make sure you have booked your lesson on the MyClass web portal.

If your name is not on the register, you cannot attend the class.

#### **TIP**

Make sure you use your real name for your Zoom account, and when signing in to the lesson. The teacher can then easily check if your name is on the register.



# Be seen and be heard

In online lessons you need to have a web-cam / camera in order to participate fully. If you have ever used Skype, FaceTime or any other video calling app, you will know what you need because the experience is very similar.

Unfortunately, if the teacher cannot see or hear you, you will not be allowed to attend the class.

#### **TIP**

Test your video and mic before the lesson if you are not sure they work.



# Be properly connected

You are going to need a stable internet connection (See Technical specifications section for more information). A poor connection will mean people may find it hard to hear or see you, and for you to see and hear them. This can be frustrating for everyone and will result in a poor learning experience.

If your internet connection is not good enough, you may be asked to leave the class.

## Be somewhere quiet

The great advantage of an online lesson is that you can choose where you want to study. For the best experience however, you need to make sure you are somewhere where other people will not interrupt you and where noise is not a problem.

These problems can result in a poor learning experience for you, and for the other students.

If the environment you are in is unsuitable and you cannot change it, you may be asked to leave the class.



## Please follow our classroom conduct code

It may be obvious but do remember to behave the way you would in any other MyClass lesson. Although you may be at home, it's important to remember that normal classroom rules still apply.

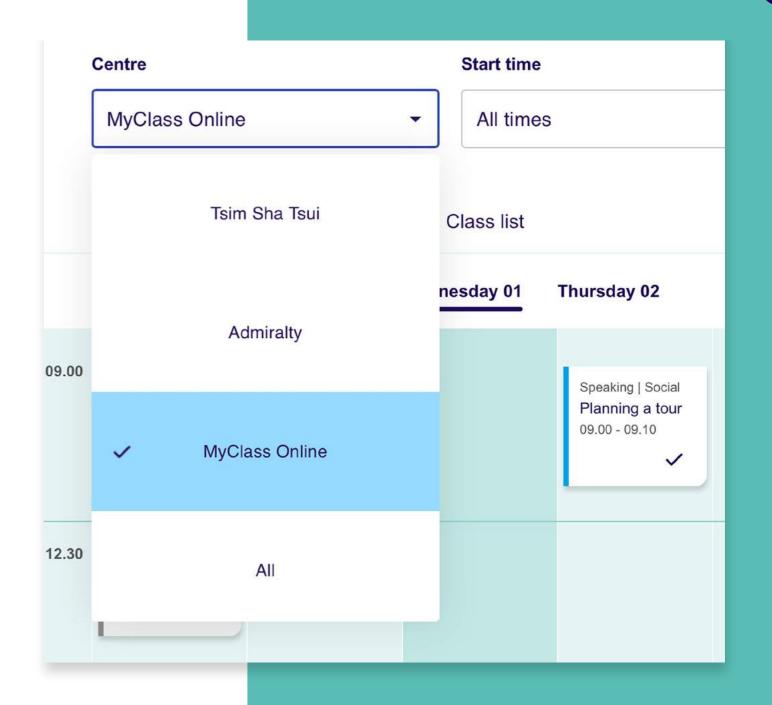


If you need support, contact your local British Council centre.

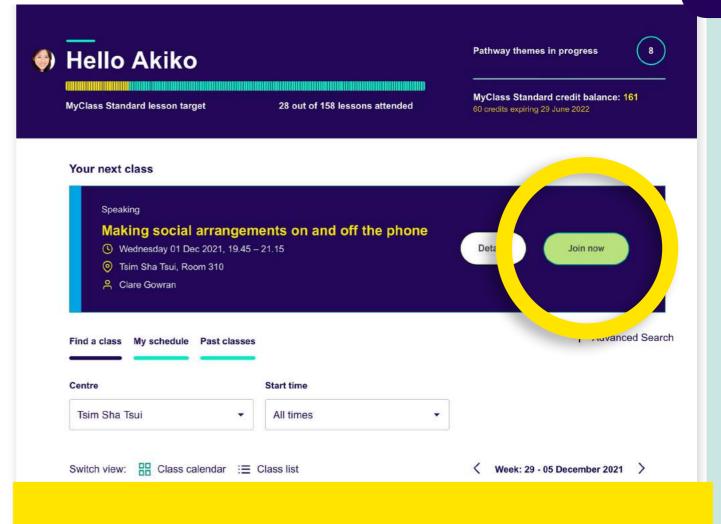
# How to join an online class

Registering for a MyClass online class is simple!

- 1. Access your MyClass portal or app and select 'MyClass Online'
- 2. Book your class



- 3. Up to 15 minutes before the lesson, log in to the MyClass portal and click the 'Join now' button
- 4. You will be redirected to the Zoom online classroom
- 5. If you already have Zoom installed, click to join the meeting
- 6. Click 'Open Zoom' in the dialog box



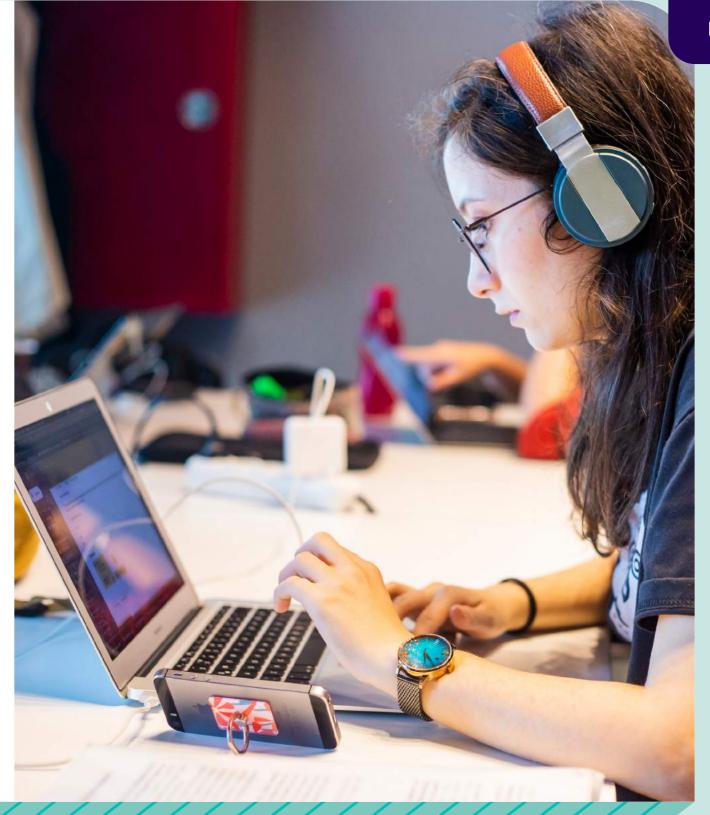
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- 7. When prompted, click 'Join with video'.
- 8. You may have to wait for the teacher to let you join the class
- 9. Please add the name that you provided the British Council when you bought your MyClass course
- 10. When prompted, click 'Join with audio'.

New to Zoom?

See more instructions on how to get started.

Go to Zoom help centre



## Online classes: Technical specifications



# Please make sure your computer meets these minimum requirements

To ensure that you receive the best experience in MyClass online classes, a laptop or desktop with 4GB RAM and a dual-core 2Ghz processor or higher (Intel i3/i5/i7 or AMD equivalent).

Tablets running with sufficiently powerful processors – any 1 Ghz single core processor or better (non-Intel) – in landscape orientation will also work. However, for the best experience a laptop or desktop computer is recommended.

Ensure your laptop or computer has Windows 10 or higher, and for Macs, OSX 10.9 or higher.

You will also need a webcam and a headset (with an inbuilt microphone, or with a separate microphone attachment).

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#### **Browser**

On all laptop or desktop computers we support up-to-date versions of Google Chrome, Safari or Firefox. For the best experience, we recommend Google Chrome.

You can check (and update) your version of the Google Chrome browser by going to

https://www.whatismybrowser.com/



#### **Internet connectivity**

We recommend that you use a stable connection with a minimum download speed of 4Mbps (recommended 8Mbps), and a minimum upload speed of 2Mbps.

We recommend the use of a wired Internet connection or stable Wi-Fi, and we do not recommend the use of tethering or mobile hotspots.

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https://www.speedtest.net